

SMART board project

Topic: 4th grade Social Studies

Audience: Mr. Meacham & Ms. Angela's 4th grade
classroom

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Primary Games Website. This is a website full of social studies games and resources like videos and quizzes. It also has games for other subjects as well.

Latitude and Longitude Activity. After our lesson on latitude and longitude we will go to the smartboard and students when given the latitude and longitude coordinates will plot the point on the world map.

Explorer Match. After a lesson "the explorers that sailed to America", students will have to match the explorer to the nation they sailed for in a Vortex activity.

Horse Race Activity. For a review the class would split into 4 teams. We will ask them questions pertaining to the lesson we are reviewing. When a group gets a question right they will click their horse to move closer to the finish line. The first group to pass the finish line wins!

Courtesy of jberg at Smart Exchange

Standards

Content Standard 1: The student will analyze the physical, cultural, political, economic, and the historic features and places of the regions of the United States.

1. The student will identify and locate both relative and absolute location (latitude and longitude), the physical features of the regions of the United States including bodies of water, major rivers and drainage systems, mountain ranges, and unique natural geographic features.

2. The student will identify and analyze the cultural and historic features of the United States.

A. Locate the current boundaries of the United States including Alaska and Hawaii.

Skills Standard 3: The student will develop and demonstrate Common Core speaking and listening skills.

A. Comprehension and Collaboration 1. Engage effectively in a range of collaborative discussions (one-on-one, in groups, and teacher-led) with diverse partners on Grade 4 United States Regional Geography and History topics and texts, building on others' ideas and expressing their own clearly.

2. Paraphrase portions of a social studies text read aloud or information presented in diverse media and formats, including visually, quantitatively, and orally.

Standard 2: The student will examine Native American groups and European explorations and settlements impacting the development of the major regions of the United States.

2. Examine and summarize the reasons for the key expeditions of Spain, France, and England and their impact on the development of each region including the explorers Columbus, Ponce de León, Desoto, Coronado, Marquette and Jolliet, LaSalle, Cabot, Hudson, Drake, and Raleigh. (CCRIT 2)

Website

Click the picture to play some fun social studies games. Play at least two social studies games and be prepared to tell the class what you learned from each game tomorrow.

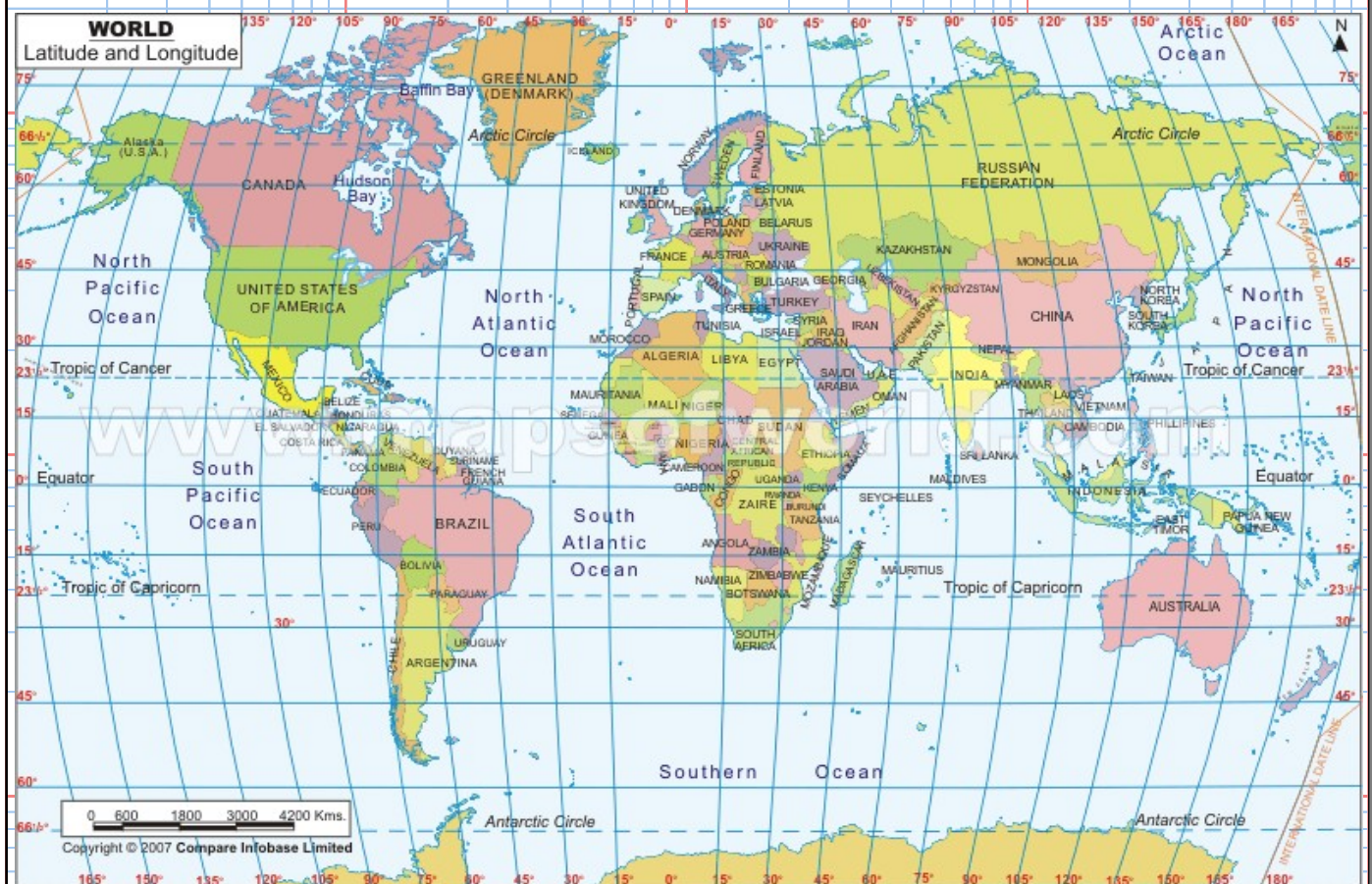
The screenshot shows a web browser window displaying the PrimaryGames.com website. The browser's address bar shows the URL http://www.primarygames.com/social_studies.htm. The website has a yellow background and a purple header with the PrimaryGames logo and navigation links like 'Mobile Site', 'Follow Us', and 'Like Us'. A search bar is present with the text 'Search This Site'. Below the header, there's a grid of colorful buttons for various subjects: Home, Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, Science, The Print Zone, Postcards, Virtual Worlds, Games, Puzzles, Holidays, Arcade, PGTV, Downloads, Widgets, and Curriculum Guide. The 'Social Studies' button is highlighted. Below this, there's a 'Featured Game' section for 'Herotopia' with a 'Play Now!' button. To the right, there's an advertisement for 'RHYTHM & HUES' with the tagline 'RHYTHMS THAT MOVE YOU... COLORS THAT SURROUND YOU.' At the bottom, there are two game thumbnails: 'World Capitals' and 'World Flags'. The browser's taskbar at the bottom shows various application icons.

Drag the star to the latitude and longitude coordinates to their relative location on the map.

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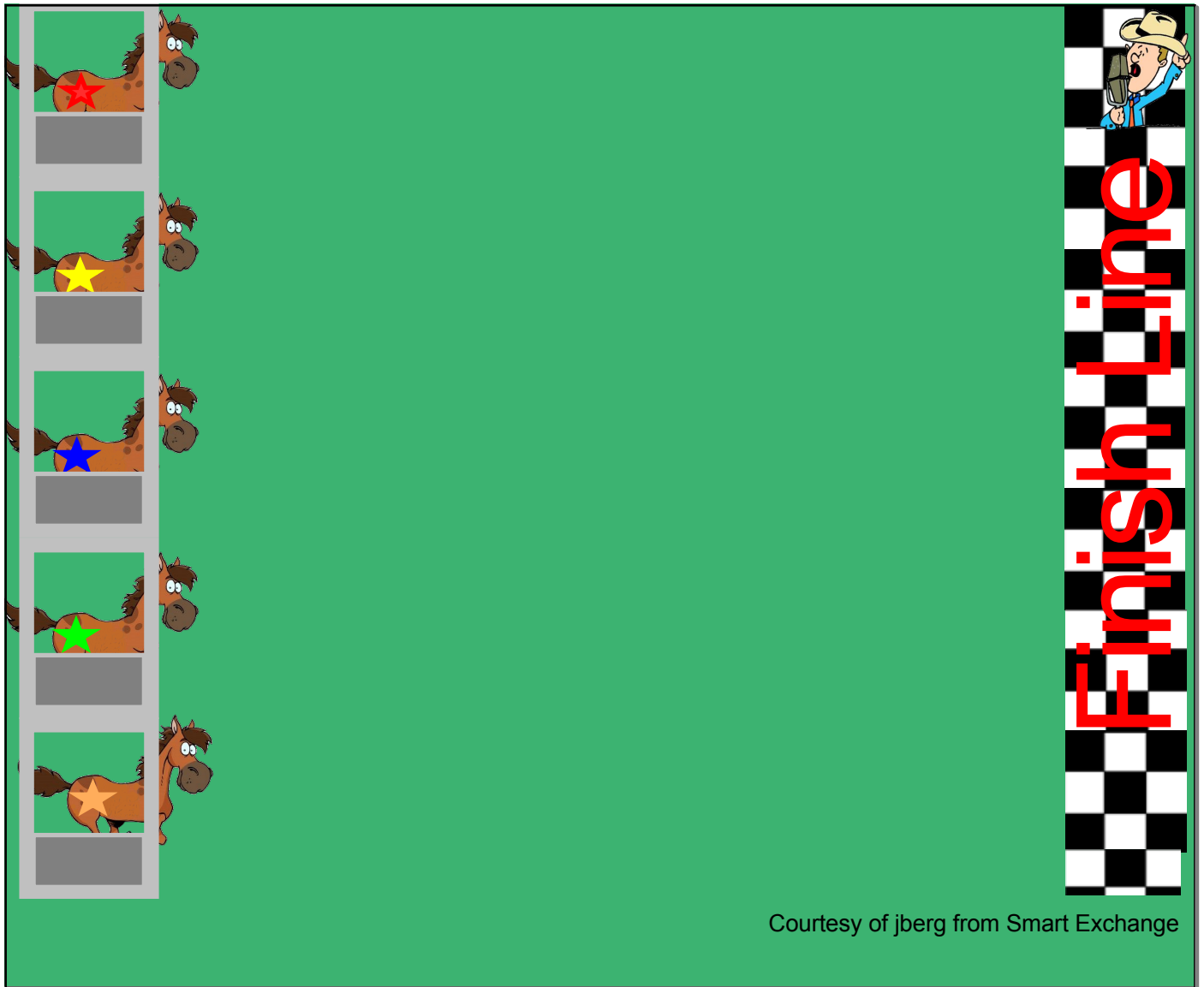
45 N, 105 E



23 N, 105 W

15 S, 30 E

Match the explorers with nation they sailed for.



Questions

1. Who was the first president of the United States?
2. What is latitude?
3. Who discovered America?
4. What's the prime meridian?
5. Who married Pocahontas
6. Who was known as "Honest Abe"?
7. Name five of the thirteen original colonies.
8. Who was first to America? Spanish or English?
9. What is longitude?
10. Where is the equator?
11. When was the Civil War?
12. Who was the American ally in the Revolutionary War?
13. What were the Spanish in search of when they came to America?
14. When was the Constitution of the United States written?
15. Who was Henry Hudson?
16. What ocean did the English and Spanish cross to get to America?
17. What was Columbus searching for when he came to America?
18. What did Washington do before he was president?
19. What is the tropic of cancer?
20. What are the cardinal directions?

